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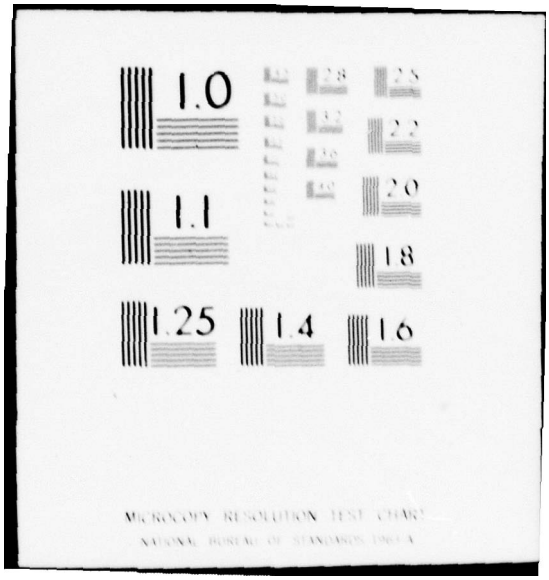
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Data Acquisition and Processing

Navigation data, which consisted of satellite fixes, visual bearings and dead-reckoned positions, were acquired by the ship's officers and key-punched daily. A computer

program was used to plot these data on Mercator charts for verification by comparison with the bridge Mercator navigation plots. The incremental headings and speeds between successive fixes were determined and compared with the ship's log to access the accuracy of the plotted navigation points. A more complete navigation stream was obtained by merging the satellite navigation fixes with ship's velocity determined from a Doppler speed log and Sperry Mark 19 gyrocompass. Depths were measured primarily using a 3.5 kHz echo sounder recorded on a Hydroproducts recorder, and digitized by hand at five minute intervals or at every break-in-slope. During a few short intervals the 3.5 kHz system was down and a 12 kHz transducer was used instead. These data were then punched on paper tape and corrected for sound velocity via Matthews' Tables (1939) using a computer program. Total-field magnetic intensity was measured with a Varian proton precession magnetometer towed 250 meters behind the ship. One minute values were recorded, and the magnetic field anomaly was calculated by subtracting the International Geomagnetic Reference Field of 1975. The digital data were plotted as a function of elapsed time and corrected by comparison with the original analog records. Magnetic field data were not taken during

stations. Gravity measurements were made with a vibrating-string accelerometer on a gyro-stabilized table (Bowin et al., 1972) whose output was recorded as five-minute averages. Corrections were applied for Eotvos and instrumental drift, and the free air and simple Bouguer anomalies were calculated. The gravity and magnetic anomalies and bathymetry were then merged with the detailed navigation.

These data are available on magnetic tape and have been forwarded to the National Solar-Terrestrial Data Center in Boulder, Colorado.

Data Summary Plots

Figure 1 shows a summary of the ship's track. In order to display the data coverage to better advantage, we have divided the cruise into four areas. Figures 2a-d display the date at change of day and time ticks every six hours. Station locations and seismic coverage are indicated as shown. Figures 3a-d show corrected meters plotted at right angles to the ship's track. The plotting scales are 0.8 inches per degree of longitude and 2000 meters per inch. The ship's track represents a depth of 4000 meters. Figures 4a-d show the total geomagnetic field anomaly plotted

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Table 1: Scientific Party

Name	Affiliation if other than W.H.O.I.
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R. Goldsborough	
P. Goreau	W.H.O.I.-M.I.T. Joint Program Student
R.C. Groman	
B.U. Haq	
D.A. Johnson	
G. Marshall	University of Alberta, Guest Student Investigator
P. Molnar	M.I.T. Staff
C. Polloni	
E. Young	

Table 2.

AII 93 LEG 7 STATION SUMMARY

Station No. and Type	Date	Physiographic Location	Latitude	Longitude	Length PC: piston core PG: Pilot gravity core	Depth in Meters
(21) Piston Core (4 PC)	10 April 76	Northern Mascarene Basin	15°17.4'S	53°31.5'E	PC: 970 cm	4641
(22) Piston Core (5 PC)	11 April 76	Northern Mascarene Basin	11°01.2'S	54°29.9'E	PC: 1088 cm PG: 97 cm	4599
(23) Piston Core (6 PC)	14 April 76	Southern Amirante Trench	09°28.5'S	52°23.8'E	PC: 554 cm PG: 108 cm	4196
(24) Piston Core (7PC)	14 April 76	Southern Amirante Trench	09°33.2'S	52°31.5'E	PC: 1180 cm PG: 96 cm	3726
(25) Piston Core (8PC)	14 April 76	Southern Amirante Trench	09°29.24'S	52°28.61'E	PC: 1080 cm PG: 104 cm	3888
(26) Piston Core (9PC)	15 April 76	Mud Waves: West Flank of Amirante Trench	09°26.5'S	51°57.7'E	PC: 1034 cm PG: 113 cm	4116
(27) Piston Core (10PC)	15 April 76	Abyssal Plain, Western Margin of Amirante Trench	09°24.8'S	52°01.5'E	PC: 972 cm PG: 89 cm	4129
(28) Piston Core (11PC)	15 April 76	Abyssal Plain, Western Margin of Amirante Trench	09°28.4'S	52°09.9'E	PC: 439 cm PG: 85 cm	4154
(29) Piston Core (12PC)	16 April 76	Southern Amirante Trench	09°30.7'S	52°26.3'E	PC: 729 cm PG: 125 cm	4148
(30) Piston Core (13PC)	16 April 76	Hill on Western Flank of Amirante Trench	09°32.5'S	52°28.6'E	PC: 846 cm PG: 112 cm	3975

Table 2 (continued)

Station No. and Type	Date	Physiographic Location	Latitude	Longitude	Length PC: Piston Core PG: Pilot gravity core	Depth in Meters
(31) Piston Core (14PC)	17 April 76	Channel Along Western Margin of Amirante Trench	09°29.9'S	52°22.9'E	PC: 839 cm PG: 94 cm	4471
(32) Piston Core (15PC)	18 April 76	Southern Somali Basin	07°16.5'S	50°08.9'E	PC: 1123 cm PG: 125 cm	4444
(33) Piston Core (16PC)	20 April 76	Southern Somali Basin	07°15.4'S	49°32.2'E	PC: 275 cm	2490
(34) Piston Core (17PC)	1 May 76	Central Somali Basin	02°03.8'N	52°23.9'E	PC: 944 cm PG: 138 cm	5115
(35) Piston Core (18PC)	1 May 76	Central Somali Basin	00°32.5'N	51°36.1'E	PC: 891 cm PG: 151 cm	5109
(36) Piston Core (19PC)	2 May 76	Central Somali Basin	01°01.8'S	50°57.1'E	PC: 827 cm PG: 102 cm	5089
(37) Piston Core (20PC)	2 May 76	Central Somali Basin	02°01.8'S	50°32.9'E	PG: 156 cm PC: no recoring	5080

Table 3

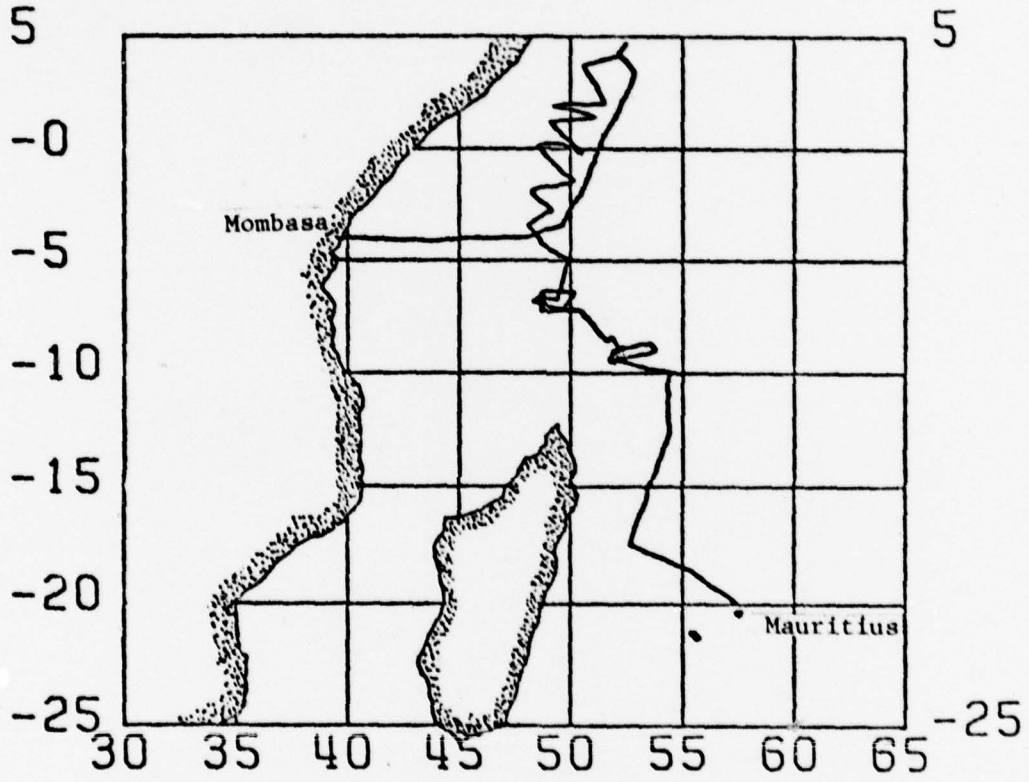
Seismic Reflection Profiling Dates and Times
(time in GMT)

Mascarene Basin

	Start	End
1.	11 April 1978 - 2000	14 April 1978 - 0415
2.	14 April 1978 - 1630	15 April 1978 - 1400
3.	16 April 1978 - 1000	16 April 1978 - 1630
4.	17 April 1978 - 0500	18 April 1978 - 1115

Somali Basin

	Start	End
Lines 1-30	22 April 1978 - 0300	30 April 1978 - 1730
Line 31	3 May 1978 - 1045	4 May 1978 - 0230



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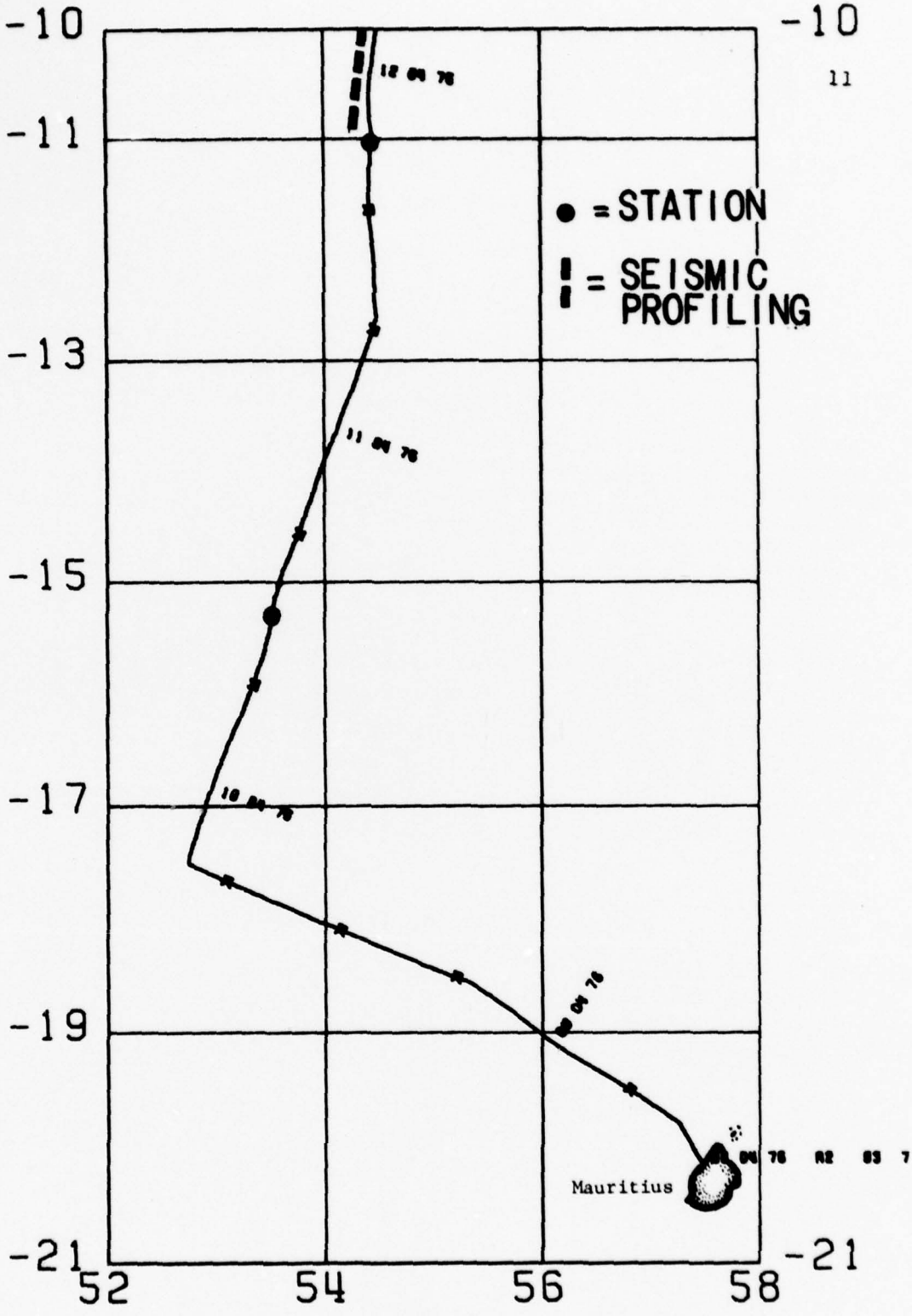

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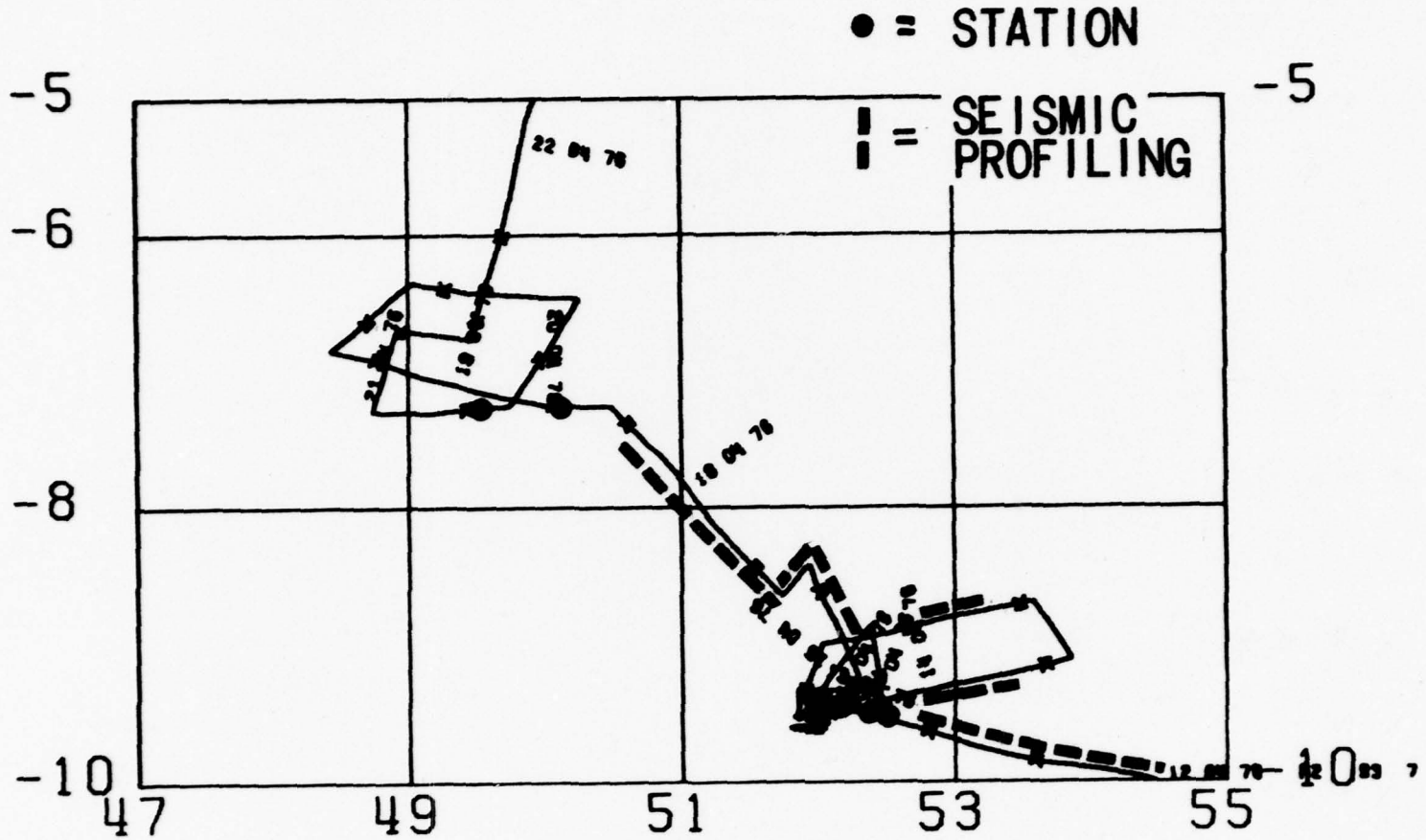

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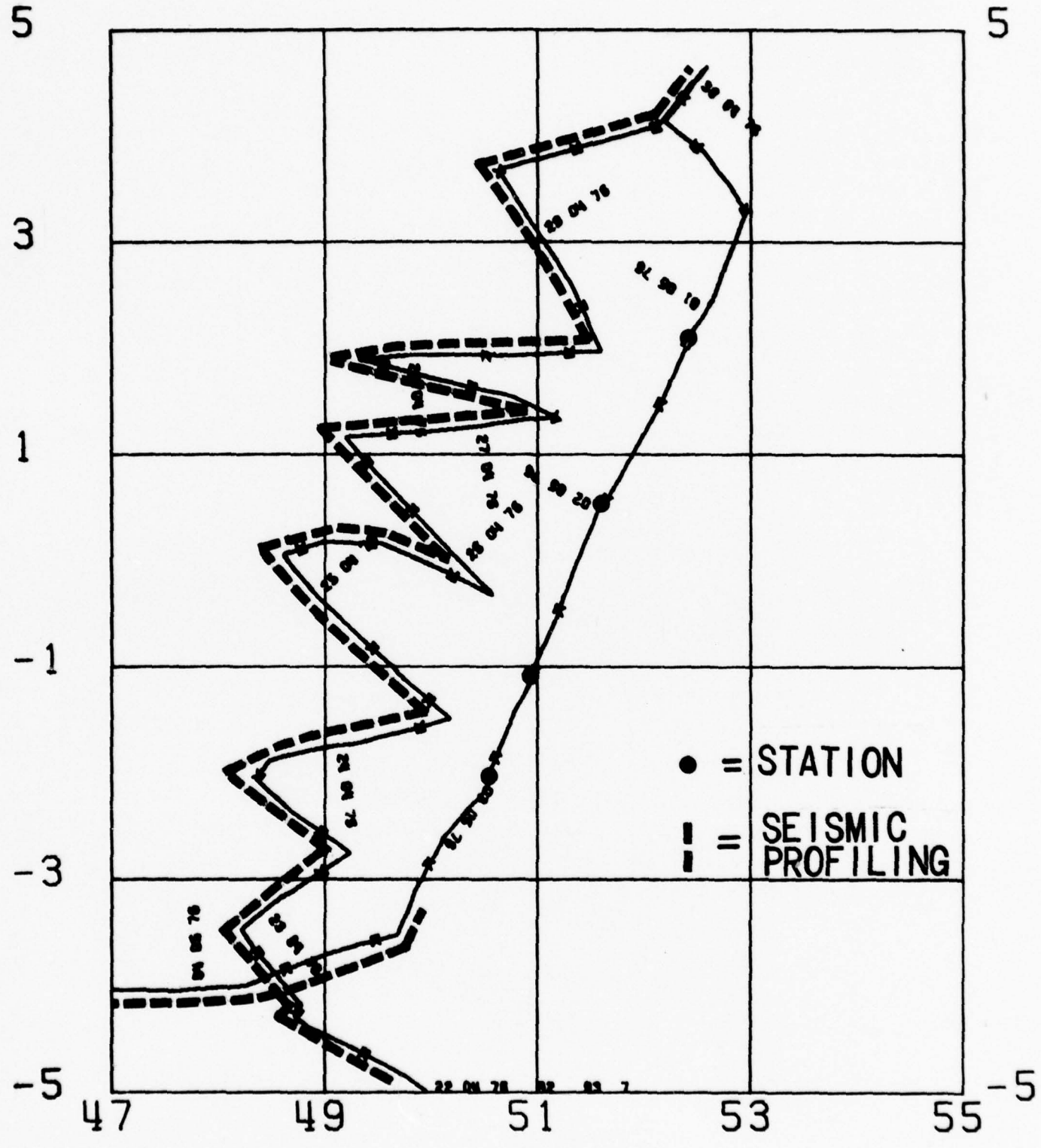

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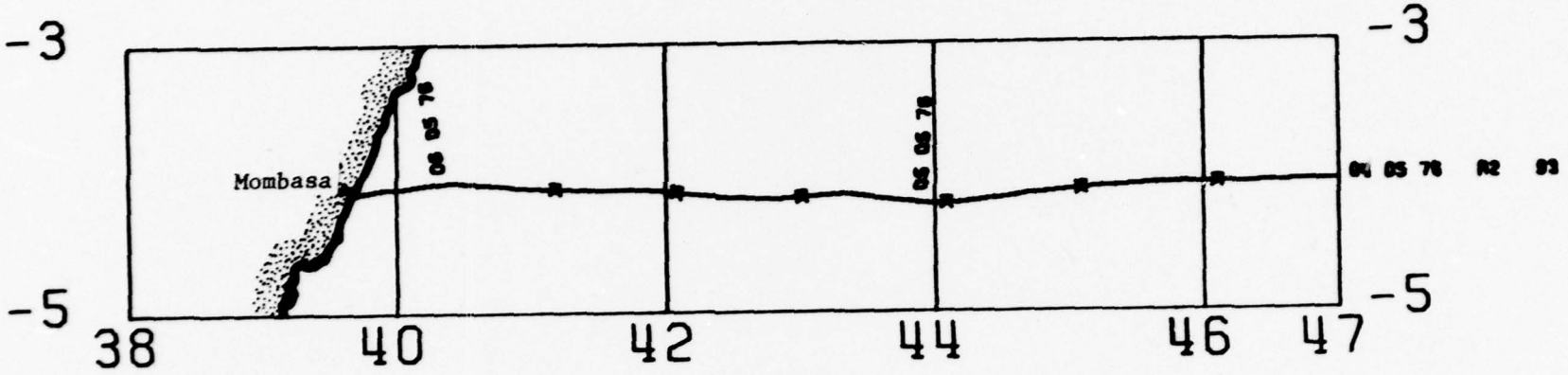

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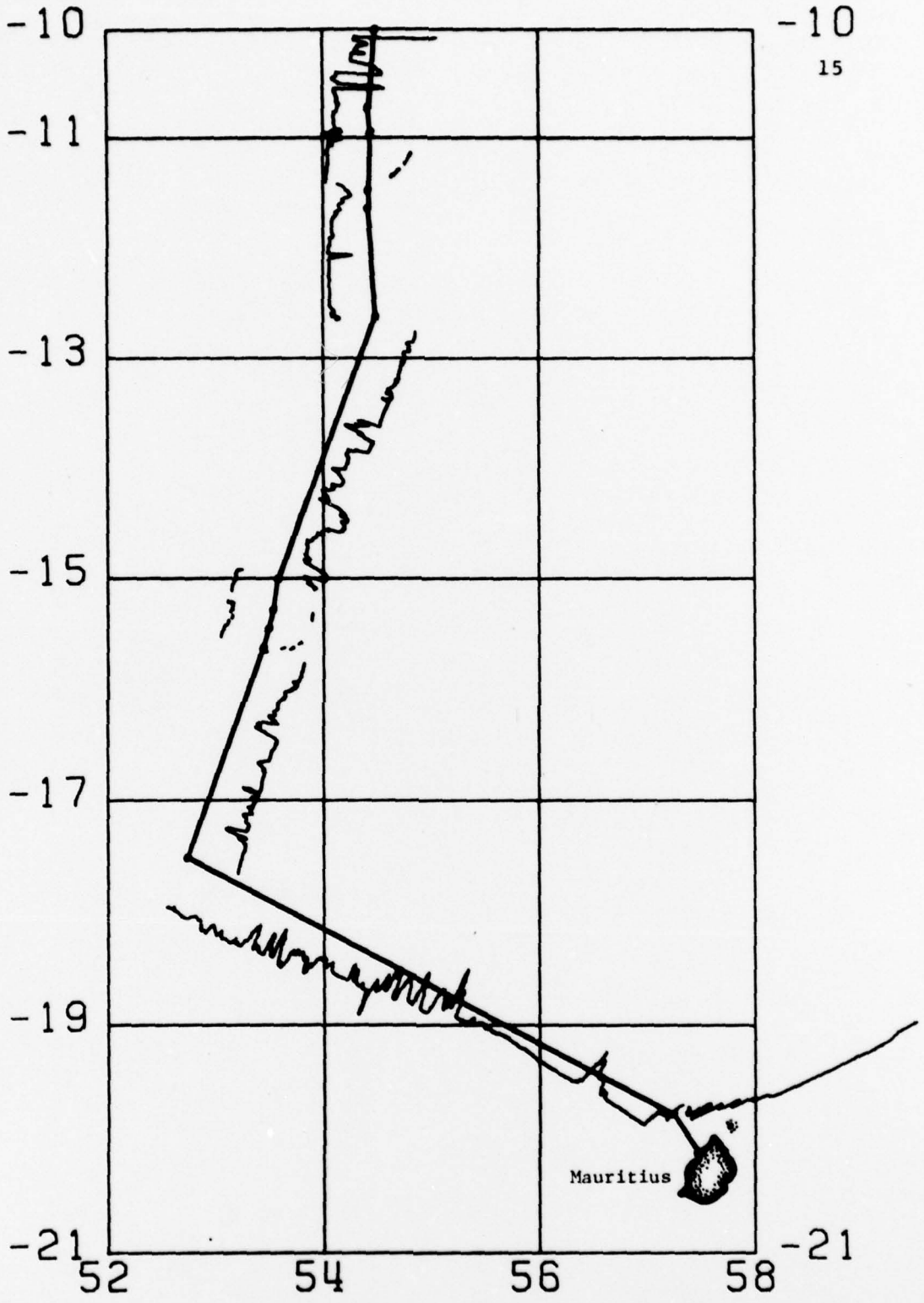

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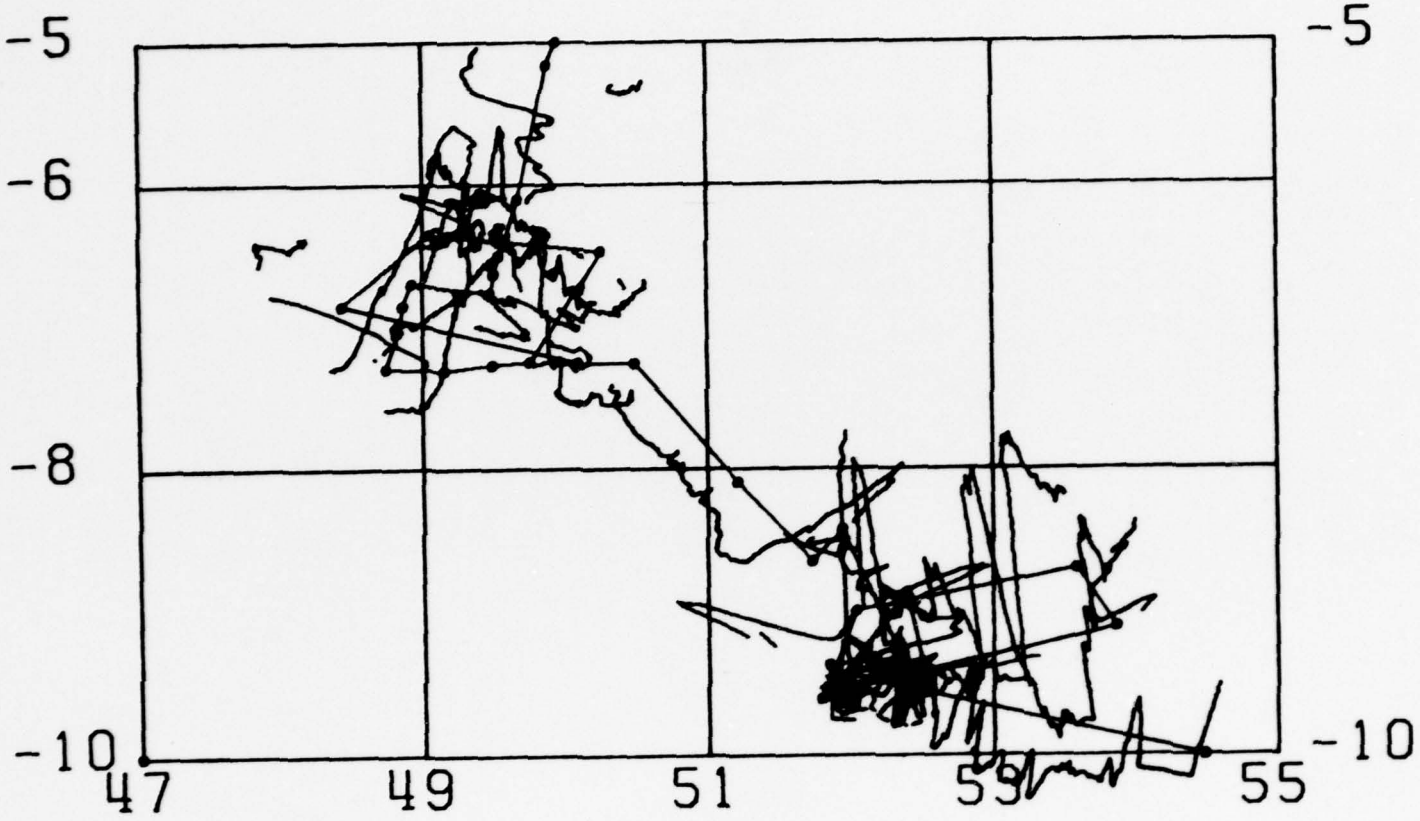

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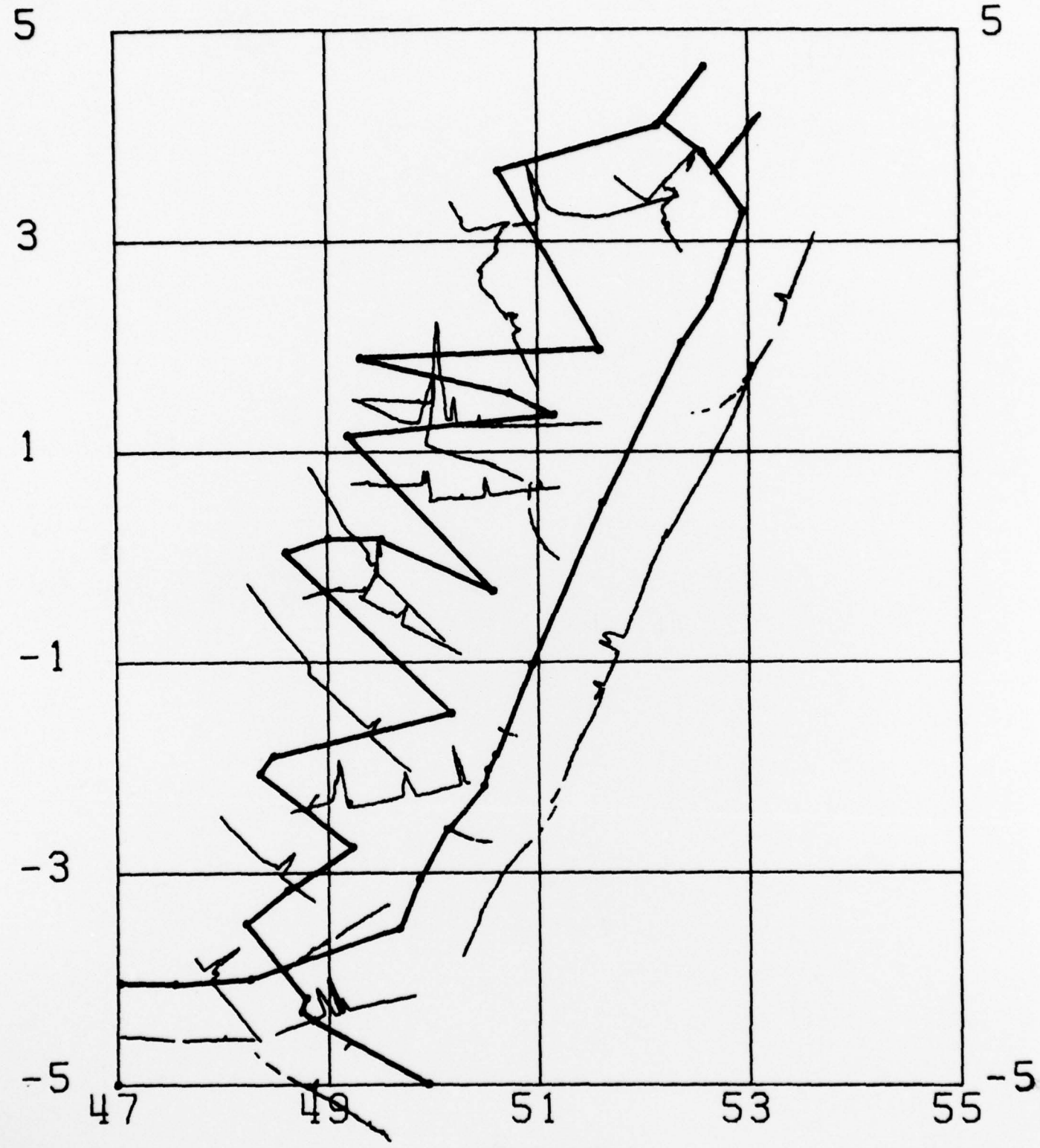

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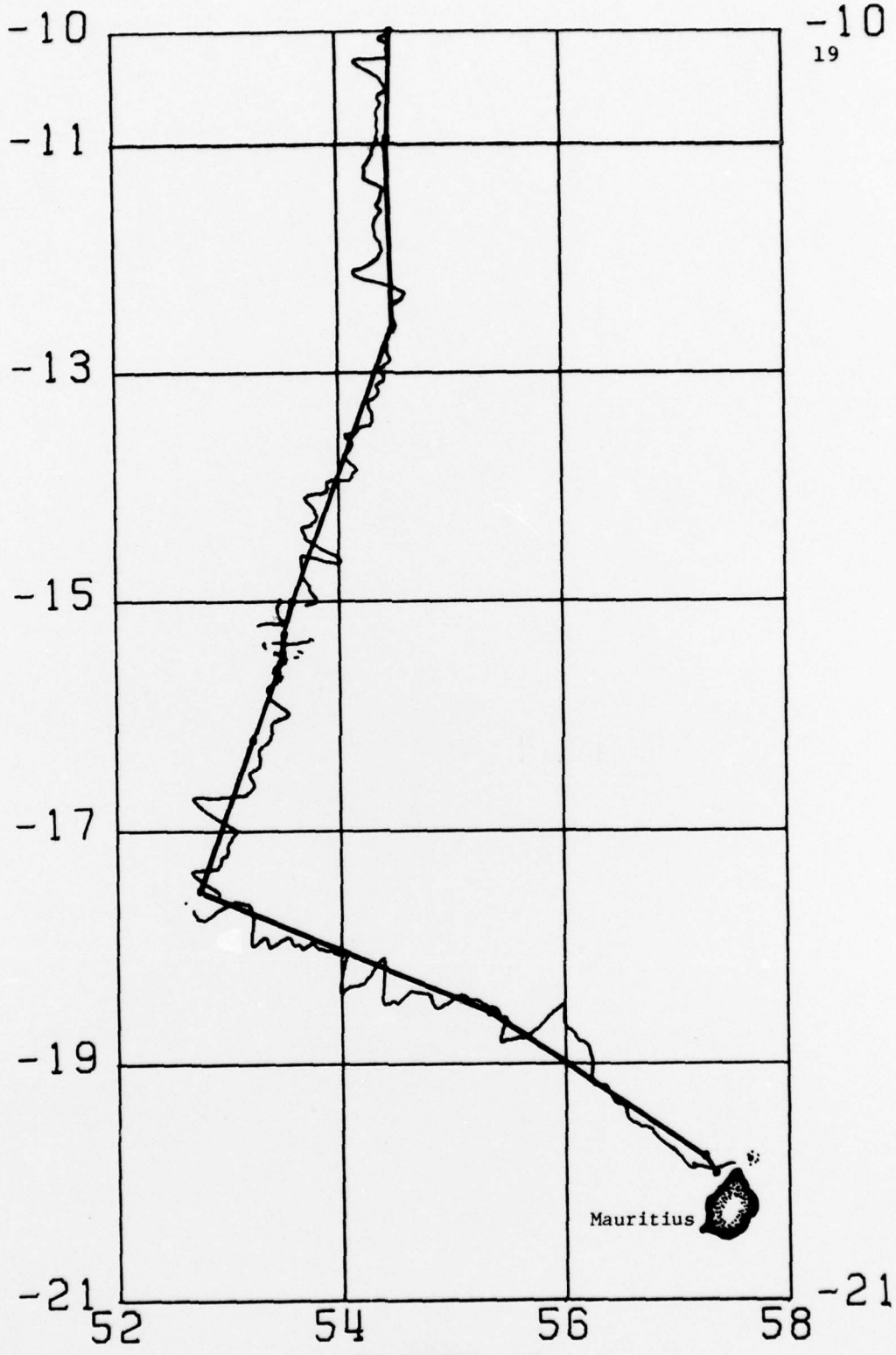

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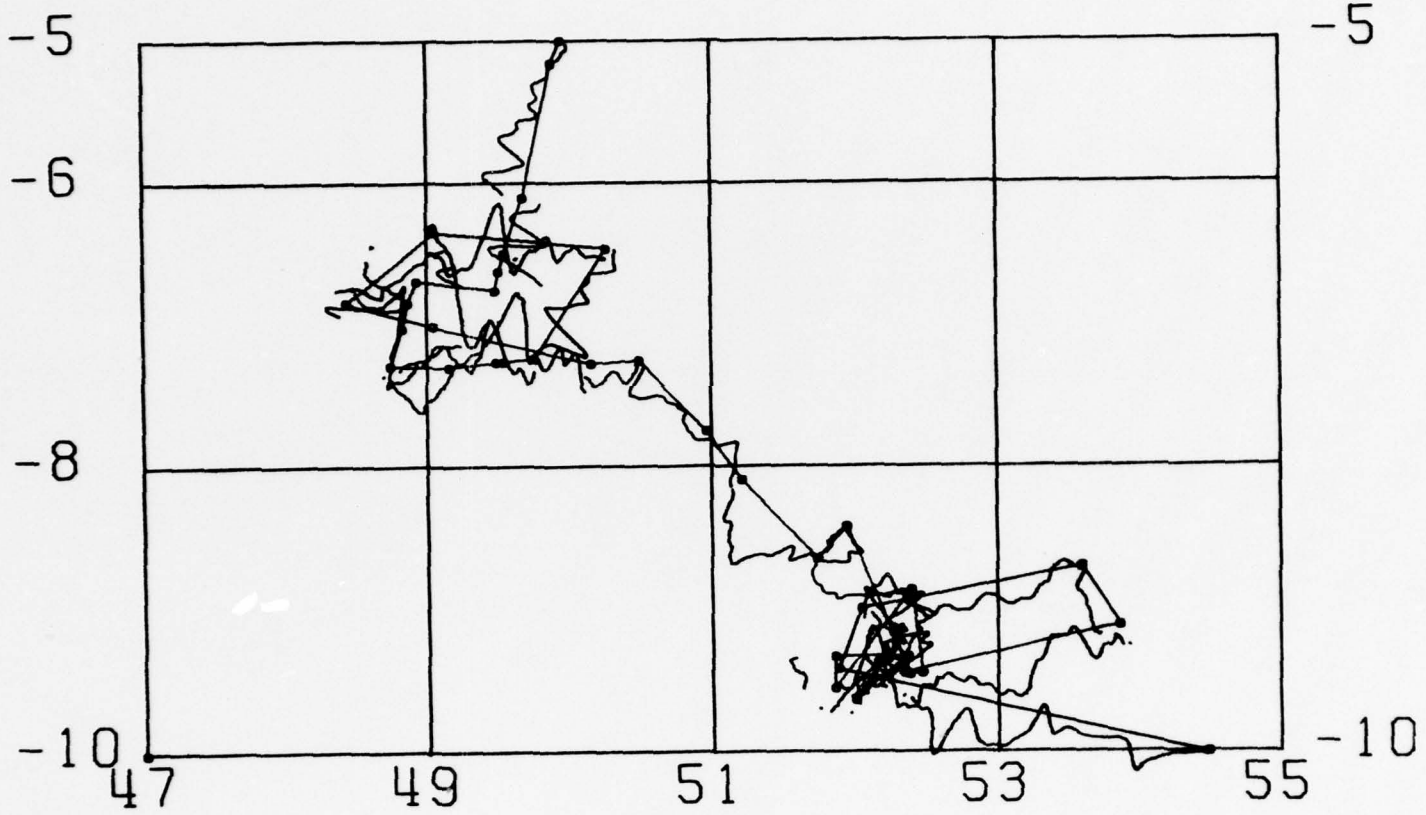

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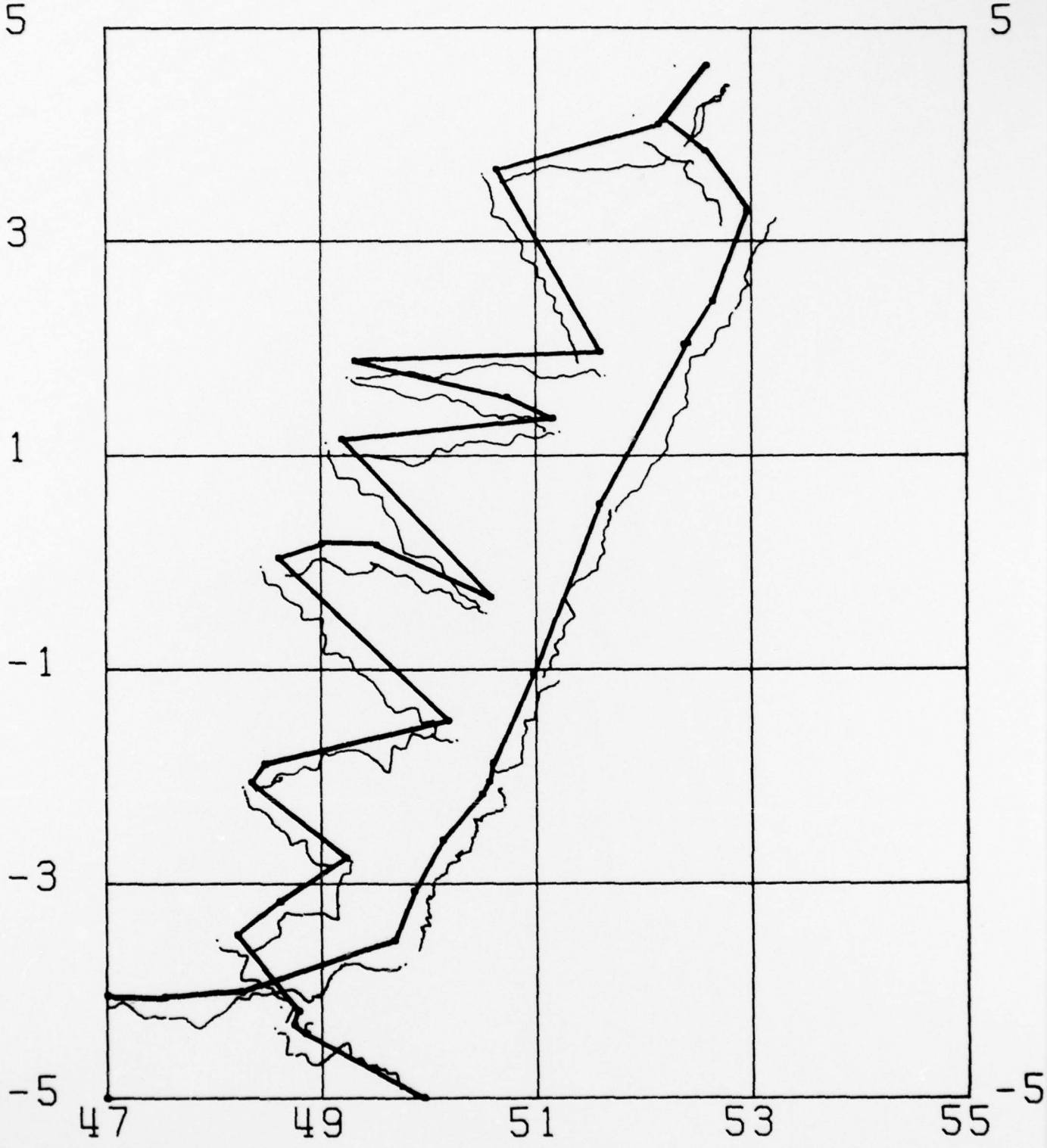

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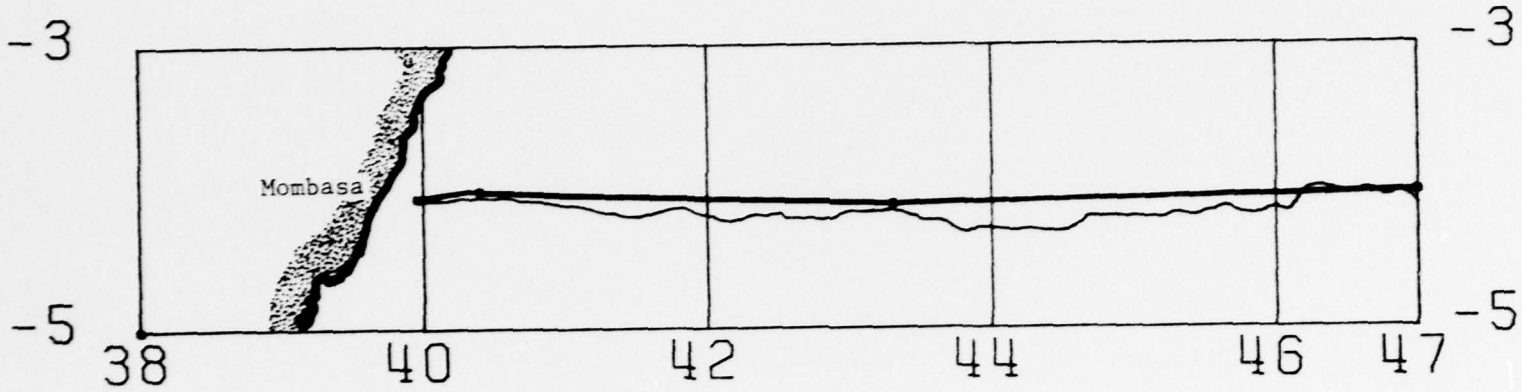

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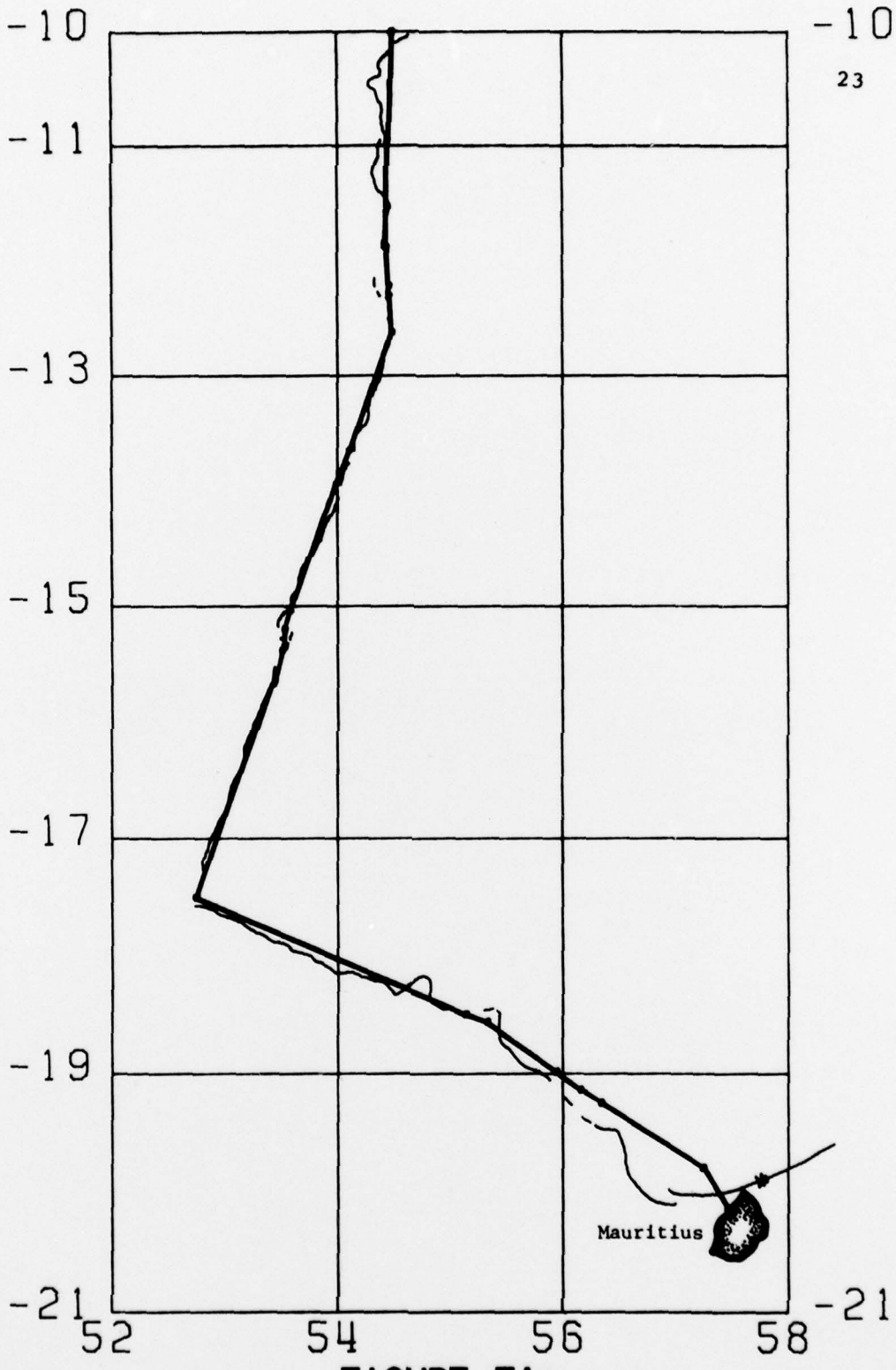

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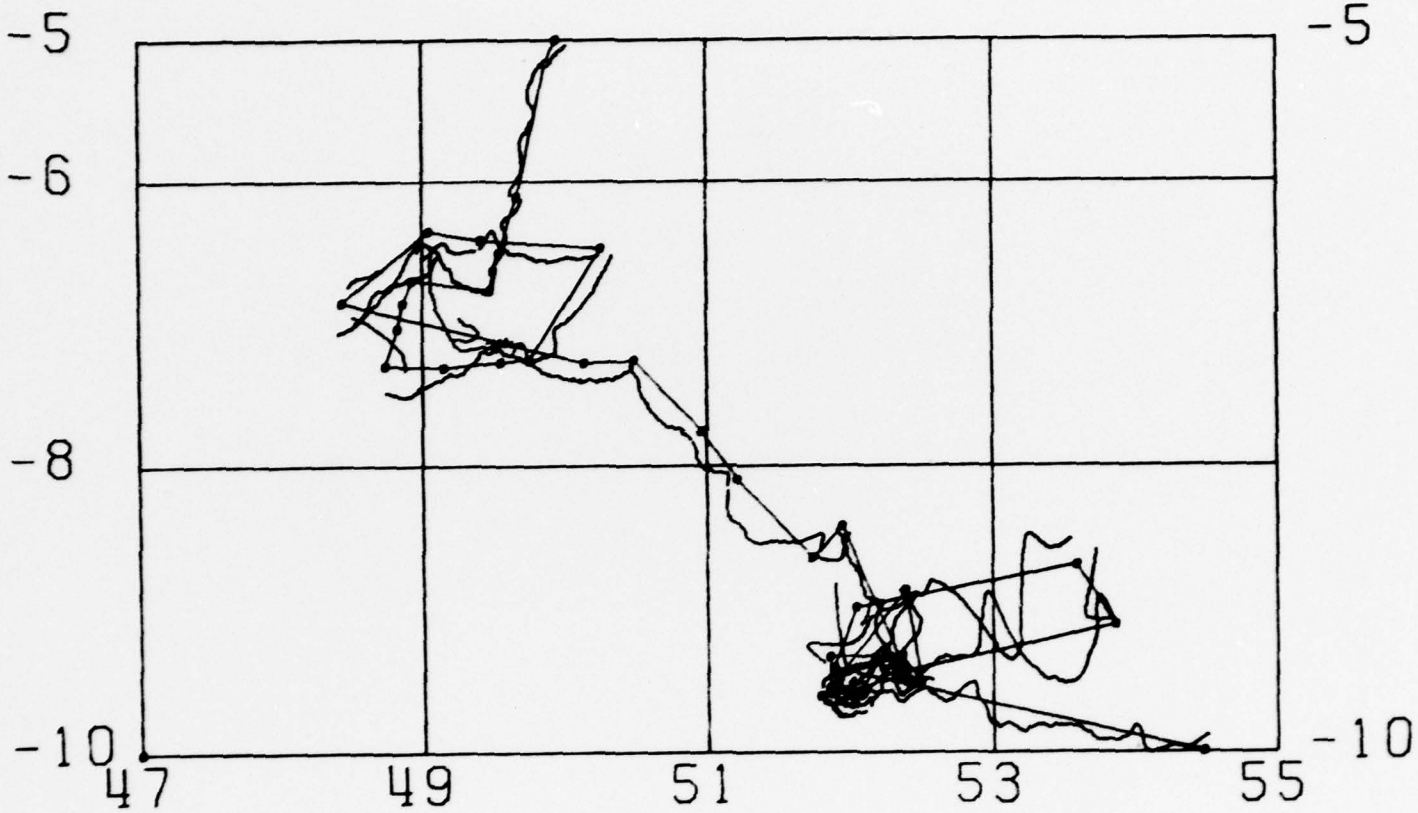

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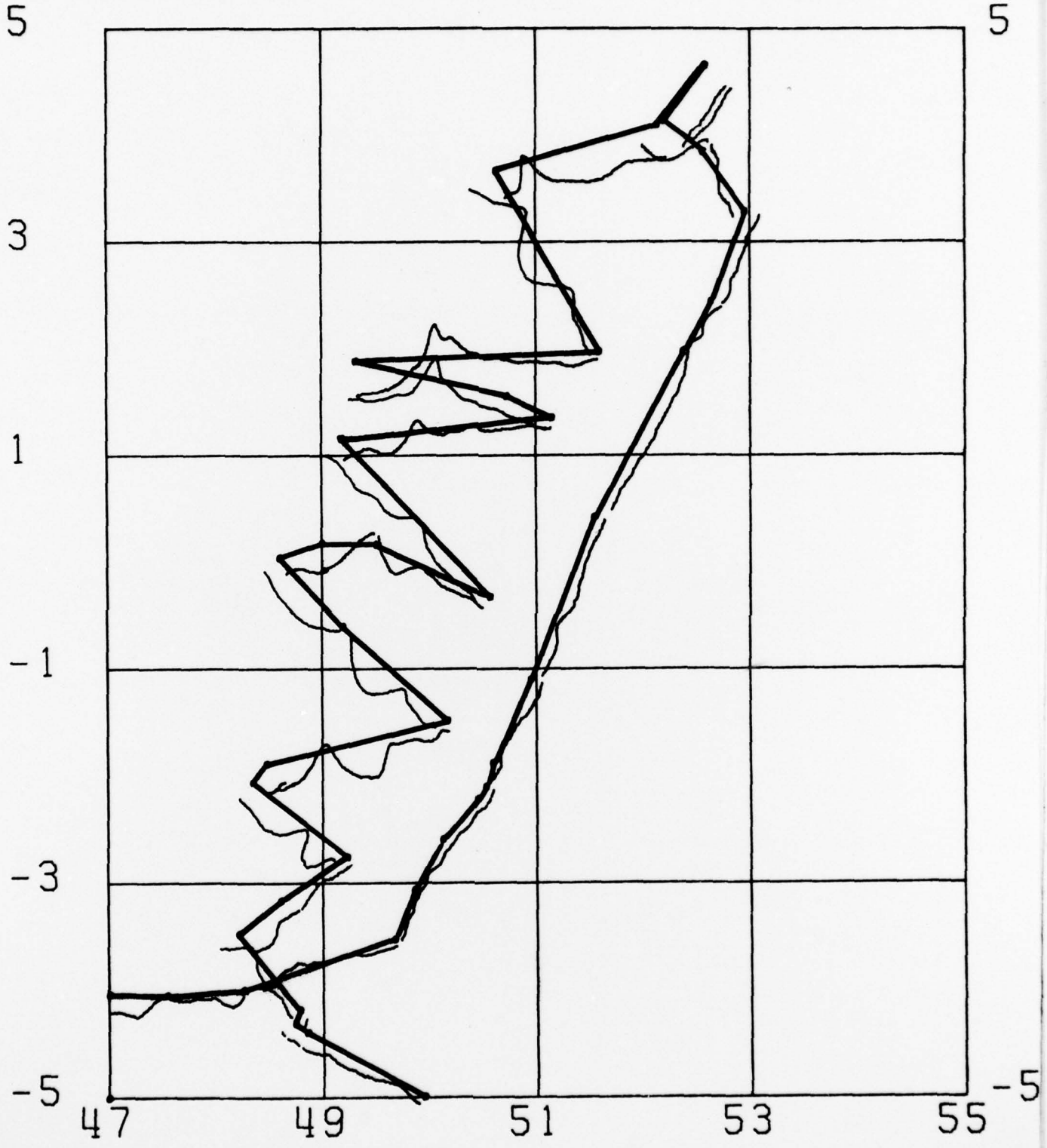

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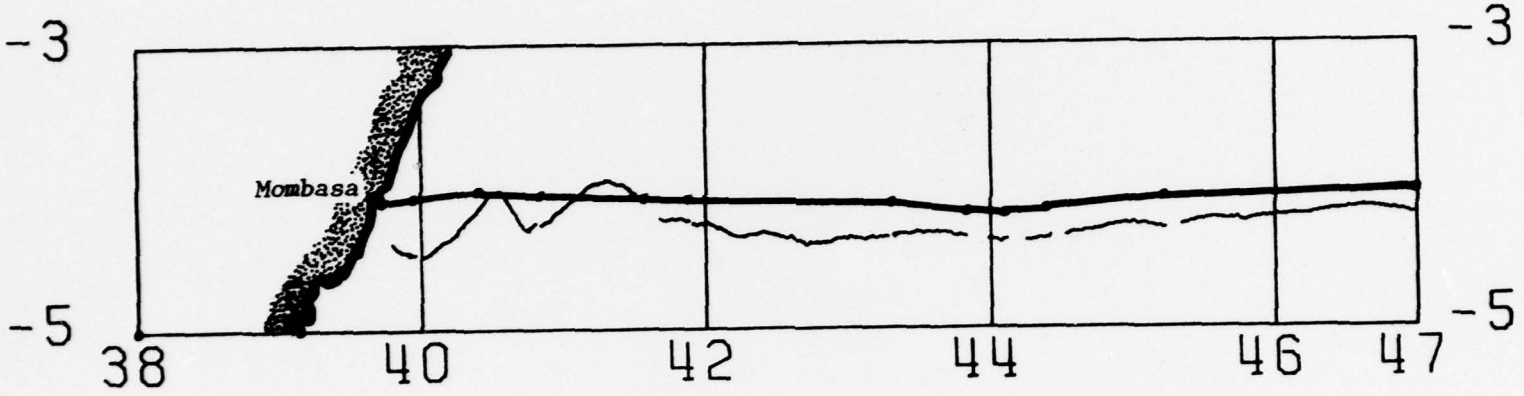

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